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State Retreat For B.S.U. Officers Set For Hattiesburg April 17-19

The annual State Retreat for Mississippi Baptist Student Union officers will be held on the Woman's College campus in Hattiesburg April 17-19.

Woodie Williams, Jr., of Agricola a student at Mississippi State College, Starkville, and state B. S. U. president, will preside over the meeting to be attended by over 200 students.

Out-of-state leaders to be present are Miss Billie Russell, of Nashville, associate in the B. S. U.



WOODIE WILLIAMS, JR.

Department, Sunday School Board, and Dr. Frank Stagg, professor of New Testament Interpretation, New Orleans Baptist Seminary. State B. S. U. Council members and B. S. U. officers and student secretaries from over 20 college

campuses in the state will be present.

"Dedicated to Serve" will be the theme of the program which will include inspirational messages, conferences, symposiums, special music, planning sessions and the annual election of officers.

The Retreat is sponsored by the B. S. U. Department of the State Convention Board, Charles W. Horner, secretary.

Dr. I. E. Rouse is president of the host college while Miss Katherine Irvin, B. S. U. president, will serve as hostess to the Retreat.

A large number of leaders from Mississippi will also appear on the program which will begin Friday afternoon and close at noon Sunday.

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T. L. Holcomb To Be Honored At Houston

A testimonial luncheon honoring Dr. T. L. Holcomb who is retiring as Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Baptist Sunday School Board after eighteen years of fruitful service will be held Friday, May 8, 1:00 p. m., at the Rice Hotel in Houston, Texas, during the Southern Baptist Convention meeting. Tickets at \$2.00 each may be secured by mail until April 30 from Gaye L. McGlothlan, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Nashville 3, (Continued On Page Two)

April Completes First Half Of Convention Year

Co-op Program Urged

BY CHESTER L. QUARLES

Executive Secretary

Advance in April in gifts for the Cooperative Program! That is our challenge for this month because April is the last month of the first half of this Convention year.

Reports of gifts for the first six months — November-April will be published in the Baptist Record early in May and we are anxious to see a growing report from the churches.

Let us come to the half-way mark this Convention year with a good account of our stewardship.

This is an appeal to every church that did not make a contribution to the Cooperative Program the first quarter this year—November-January—to do so this quarter.

We have a challenging goal of \$1,100,000 this convention year—let us be well on our way at the half-way mark—May 1.

Many churches are increasing their Cooperative Program contributions. We believe many others can and will.

Historical Pageant Is Feature Of Diamond Jubilee W.M.U. Convention

WMU Convention Adopts Board Recommendations

The following recommendations of the Executive Board of the W.M.U. were adopted by body at its convention last week in Jackson:

That Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union adopt the seal that was on the Mississippi banner which was carried in the procession at the Jubilee Convention in St. Louis in 1913.

That during June and July white cross supplies be gathered for Baptist Hospital, Barranquilla, So. America.

That the 1953 Lottie Moon offering goal be lifted to \$150,000.

That the item of \$15,000 in the Lottie Moon offering be designated for church building in Cinco Esquinas, Costa Rica.

That the item of \$3,500 in State Mission week of prayer offering be designated for work among racial groups of Mississippi.

That the camp building committee be authorized to proceed with the enlargement and improvement at Camp Garawa.

Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Mississippi Baptist Convention held perhaps its greatest convention in Jackson last week at the First Baptist Church.

Hailed as the Diamond Jubilee Convention, representing 75 years of organized life, the convention was featured by the presentation on Wednesday night of a historical pageant, depicting not only the life of W. M. U., but Mississippi Baptist life and work as well.

With an overflow crowd in Jackson's City Auditorium present, the pageant was presented amid the blowing of herald trumpets and colorful costumes with over 600 people participating.

The presentation was in three episodes, "Beginnings in Mississippi," "Wheeling Into Line," and "From Strength to Strength". Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary, led in opening prayer.

The pageant began with the organization of the first Baptist Church on Mississippi soil near Natchez in 1791 and gave a running account of all the highlights of W. M. U. and Baptist life down to the present time.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

In significant fashion the women re-elected its officers for another (Continued On Page Two)

Overflow Audience Attends W.M.U. Convention



Shown above is a part of the huge crowd of 3500 people from every section of the state that overflowed Jackson's City Auditorium on the night of April 1 to witness the successful presentation of the giant historical pageant, over 600 participated. Miss Edith Robinson, state W.M.U. Secretary, was chairman of the pageant committee. This pageant was the climax of the State W.M.U. Convention held last week at Jackson's First Baptist Church.

District Chairmen Named To Step Up Plans For Stewardship Week

A significant step in the interest of Christian Stewardship Week Oct. 18-25 was taken last Saturday morning when the entire state was divided into 23 districts with a chairman named for each district.

This step was taken in a meeting called by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary and W. R. Roberts, general chairman for the Week.

The purpose of the districting is to further emphasize Christian Stewardship Week and to help make it possible for every church to participate that week by conducting a School of Stewardship.

The district chairmen will work with the associational stewardship committee in their district in an effort to carry out all suggested plans for 100 per cent cooperation.

Each district consists of three to four associations, as follows:

Dr. Lawrence Lowrey, Marshall, Benton, Tippah, Union Co.; Joe Ray, Lee, Alcorn, Tishomingo, Prentiss, Itawamba; Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, DeSoto, Tate, Panola, Lafayette; Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, Coast, Jackson.

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Quotable Quotes From W.M.U. Meet

MRS. GEORGE R. MARTIN

"The cause of religious liberty commands the perennial interest of Baptists."

"It is a woman's part to work for international friendship and good-will and peace. No matter who wins the war woman always loses."

"Baptists must strengthen the lines of contact with Baptists around the world. If firmly established these lines will hold, even though we are separated by Iron Curtains."

"In every land, with the torch of Christianity held high, Baptist women are helping to lift humanity to its created destiny—the glory of God."

—BR—

DR. M. THERON RANKIN

"We can convince the world that we give our best for Christ only as we give our best for the world."

"We must do our best for the world because of the critical condition of the world, because of the hunger of the world and because of what God gave for it."

"It's a hungry world—hungry not only for food but for the things that make life worth living."

"God gave His best for the world—Christ. We cannot expect to serve the world by giving less than our best."

—BR—

DR. J. B. LAWRENCE

"We have been 'grasped' by Christ for one purpose, 'the evangelization of the world.'

"What God has done 'for' us and 'in' us is for the purpose of working 'through' us for world evangelization."

"Many Southern Baptist churches are spending three times as much on themselves as they are giving to world evangelization."



MISS MARTHA ANN SMITH

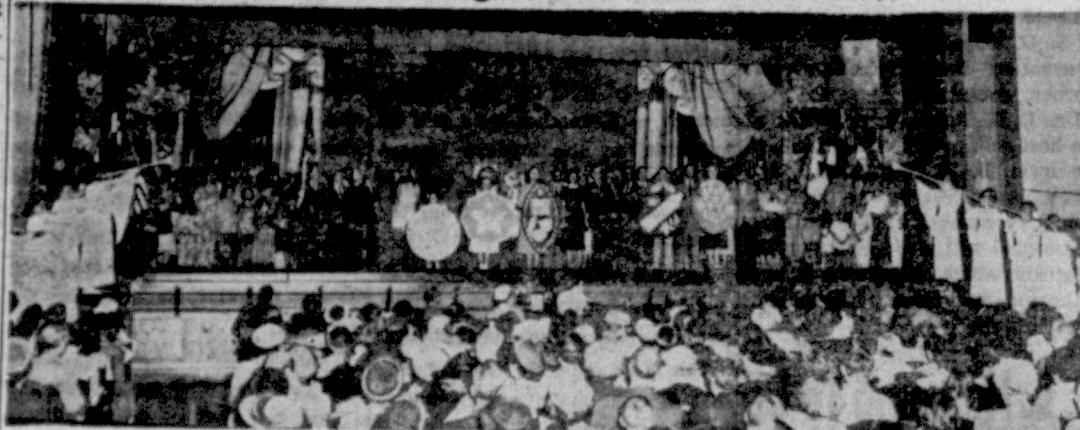
Miss Martha Ann Smith, above, will be the devotional leader during the week-end Youth Revival to be held at the Utica Church on April 10-12. Miss Smith is one of the team of five Mississippi College students who will direct the revival. On the team with Miss Smith will be Ralph Atkinson, Charles Hedrick, Earl McLeod and Miss Gay Holcomb. Rev. R. Y. Gerrard is the Utica pastor.

W.M.U. Organization Takes Place In Oxford In 1878



The organization of Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union in Oxford in 1878 is shown in scene above taken Wednesday night in Jackson's City Auditorium during the Pageant portraying history of Mississippi Baptists. Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Sr., of Oxford was the first president of the Central Committee.

Historical W.M.U. Pageant Comes To Climactic Close



The Historical Pageant portraying the life and work of Mississippi Baptists and Mississippi Baptist W. M. U. came to a closing climax in scene above in Jackson's City Auditorium Wednesday night. This scene depicted the purpose of all W. M. U. work.

Historical Pageant Is

All SBC Laymen Invited To Pastor's Conference

(Continued From Page One) year with Miss Almarine Brown of Jackson as president. One feature of the convention was the presence of several outstanding denominational speakers and leaders. These included:

Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of Foreign Mission Board Richmond; Mrs. George R. Martin, of Norfolk, president Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary Home Mission Board, Atlanta; Miss Gladys Keith of River Front Mission, New Orleans and Dr. T. L. Holcomb, of Nashville, executive secretary of Sunday School Board.

The body adopted the report of the W. M. U. executive board, which among other things included the lifting of the state Lottie Moon offering goal to \$150,000 for 1953 as well as the giving of its camp building committee the go-ahead signal for plans to enlarge and improve Camp Garaway.

Extra activities included the meeting of the executive board on Tuesday morning and the luncheon of the B. W. C. Federation on Tuesday night in the banquet room of the host church.

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I taught the doctrine and the experience of the Holy Spirit in the annual Bible Institute in First Baptist Church, Rio. The doctrine without the experience is straw without wheat. The experience without the doctrine is the rash adventure of a journey without chart or compass. — William C. Taylor, missionary to Brazil.

interested in several messages to be brought by prominent pastors. We cordially anticipate the attendance of Brotherhood men who may arrive early for the Convention at all sessions of the conference."

The conference begins Monday evening, May 4. Other sessions are scheduled for Tuesday morning and afternoon. The closing session is Tuesday evening, May 5.

Program personalities include Chaplain Ivan Bennett, Chief of Chaplains, Washington, D. C.; R. C. Campbell, North Carolina; Paul S. James, Georgia; and Billy Graham, North Carolina.

The committee is also receiving letters of appreciation for Dr. Holcomb from his multitude of friends. These will be bound in an attractive permanent, book style cover and presented to him in an appropriate ceremony during the annual meeting of the Sunday School Board in Nashville on June 17. Those desiring to send such a letter should write it to Dr. Holcomb and mail it to Dr. McGlothen by June 1. The letter preferably should be written on a sheet eight and a half inches by eleven inches and mailed flat.

Other members of the Sunday School Board serving on the committee with McGlothen are Harold J. Purdy, Nashville, Frank W. Wood, Birmingham, and W. F. Powell, Nashville, President of the Board and ex-officio member of the committee.

OPEN LETTER

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Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building were: Rev. B. E. Padgett, Kosciusko; Buck Jackson, Clinton; Ray Grissett, Clinton; David Paraske, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Irvin Westerfield, Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Slay, Batesville; Elmo McLaurin, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Wade Allen, Clinton; Mrs. W. J. Brown, Biloxi; Mrs. Ed Watts, Gulfport; Mrs. L. C. Clardy, Gulfport; Mrs. Tommie Hale, Pontotoc; Mrs. Hershel George, Pontotoc; Mrs. Hoyle Hester, Pontotoc; Mrs. Irving Parks, Sherman; Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Pontotoc; Pearl Caldwell, Pontotoc; Mrs. D. M. Blanton, Houston; Louas Eaton, Woodland; S. S. Kelley, Laurel; C. C. Cornelius, Meridian; Reesee McKissack, Meridian;

Mrs. Jodie Morgan, Sturgis; Mrs. Louis Anderson, Picayune; Mrs. Elton Roby, Picayune; Mrs. W. J. Carbonette, Picayune; Mrs. Prentiss Alsobrook, Nicholson; Mrs. Raymond McCullum, Louisville; Mrs. P. R. Perkins, Louisville; Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Yeatman, Louisville; Mrs. H. C. Anderson, Meridian; Mrs. Frank McDonald, Meridian; Mrs. Archie McQueen, Picayune; Mrs. Edna Robison, Picayune; Mrs. Carry Thigpen, Picayune; Mrs. Willy Frison, Picayune; Mrs. Maud Fruson, Picayune; Mrs. Daisy Fruson, Picayune; Rev. J. R. Boutell, Picayune; Thedford Jackson, Pontotoc; Mrs. Thedford Jackson, Pontotoc; Mrs. Fred Brandon, Pontotoc; Mrs. Herman Holcomb, Pontotoc;

Mrs. Wayne Clingen, Pontotoc; Rev. and Mrs. George Edens, Pontotoc; Agnes Ray, Pontotoc; Maude Sappington, Pontotoc; Mrs. James Johnson, Pontotoc; Mrs. G. P. Roberts, Carrollton; Mrs. L. L. Smith, Carrollton; Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Sansing, Carrollton; Mrs. Bailey Manning, Crystal Springs; Miss Janice Thornton, Crystal Springs; Mrs. Earl Johnson, Summit; Mrs. Carl Wilkinson, Summit; Mrs. A. J. Chandler, Summit; J. S. Johnson, Plantersville; Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Renick, Brooklyn; Mrs. J. A. Fillingone, Brooklyn; Mrs. Howard Boyd, Brooklyn; Mary Lou Frust, Clinton; Susan Hall, Clinton; Betsy Bell, Clinton; Brenda Lambert, Clinton; Mary Sue

Joins Jackson 1st Staff



PAT CLENDINING

Pat Clendining, above, will begin his duties as educational director of the First Church, Jackson on May 1, according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor. Mr. Clendining, of Jackson, will complete his work for the Master of Religious Education degree at the Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, this summer.

Broome, Clinton; Marie Pickett, Clinton; Mrs. Milton Tutor, New Albany; Mrs. Harold Cain, Amory; Mrs. Douglas Pope, Amory; Mrs. John F. Measells, Amory; Rev. Tracy B. Barnett, Oxford; Mrs. Fred Hardwick, Star; Mrs. Ruby Ross Brinson, Star;

Mrs. Chas. T. Walkers, Laurel; Grace E. McChrist, Laurel; Mrs. Carmon Savell, Merigold; Mrs. Guy Waldrop, Merigold; Mrs. Charles Everitt, Merigold; B. F. Williams, Jackson; Marie Lee, Stonewall; Harriet Long, Stonewall; Montez Purins, Stonewall; Linda May, Stonewall; Shelby Sinclair, Stonewall; Joan Crawford, Stonewall; Jeannette Hemmingsway, Stonewall; Carolyn Lynn Smith, Stonewall; Rev. Charlie L. Bryant, Hickory Flat; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buchanan, Blue Mountain; Rev. J. L. Courson, Maben; Anne P. Covington, Little Rock, Ark.; Margaret Crook, Jackson; Mrs. George A. Smith, Picayune; Mrs. Ben F. Lee, Picayune; Mrs. D. W. Hendricks, Vicksburg; Mrs. G. P. Rae, Vicksburg; Rev. W. M. McGhee, Summit; Rev. Percy Magee, Tylertown; Mrs. M. W. Tillman, West Point; Mrs. Loyd Moore, West Point; Rev. Paul McDonald, Hillsboro; and Rev. John Laney, Calhoun City.

Rev. W. M. McGhee, Rt. 4, Summit, recently resigned the pastorate of the Damascus Church in Franklin County. He is now pastor of the Hamburg Church in the same association.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary of Mississippi Baptists, preached in a glorious revival at McLain Church March 22-29. His messages were warm and spirit-filled, our people were truly revived in the Spirit. Rev. James Dunnam, a Greene county boy and a first year student at New Orleans Seminary, was the song leader and led the music in a fine way. He worked especially with the juniors and young people. As visible results there were thirteen decisions for Christ.—Rev. J. Thomas Tolar, Pastor.

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Calvary Church, near Belzoni, experienced "a one service revival" on Sunday night, March 29. Alf Rose, gospel magician, of Vicksburg, brought the message. There were 16 professions of faith and four by letter, while upwards of twenty rededicated their lives. Pastor Hardin is rejoicing over this unusual occurrence, and feels that a lasting spiritual uplift has been given his church.

The Seminary Baptist Church made a new record in Sunday School attendance on April 9th with 291 present. There were two additions by letter and two adults made professions of faith. Rev. Byron E. Mathis is pastor of the church.

There were 29 decisions, including nine by baptism, and 11 by letter, during the revival just closed at Fellowship Church, Natchez. Rev. Ray Megginson is pastor and Rev. Henry Bennett, pastor of the Byram Church in Hinds County, was the evangelist.

April 12-19 are the dates set for the spring revival at the Byram Church in Hinds County. Rev. Fred Tarpley, superintendent of mission of Hinds County, will be the evangelist. The singing will be under the direction of John McBride of Clinton. Rev. Henry J. Bennett is pastor.

All previous Sunday School attendance records were broken at First Church, Kosciusko, Sunday, April 5, with 1036 present. Prior to this record, 1010, the largest attendance in the history of the church, was registered December 2, 1951, when the new sanctuary was entered. Rev. A. B. Pierce is pastor.

Pastor W. E. Hardy announces that the spring revival of Washington Church, Adams County, will be held April 19-26 with lay evangelist Allison Bell, Tupelo, doing the preaching. Gordon Hunter, of Clinton, will be the song leader.

According to Rev. R. Y. Gerard, pastor, the Utica Church exceeded the fourth Building Fund Goal of \$1,500 on March 31. The amount raised was 1,539. The new total for the building fund is \$16,964, and plans are being studied for a new church unit for the Utica congregation.

Curtis Beard, Director of Education and Promotion at Parkway Church, Jackson, leaves Friday, April 10, for Kansas City, Missouri where he is to direct an enlargement campaign in the Raytown Baptist Church during a two-week convention-wide Sunday School Clinic and Training Conference.

Dr. I. M. Prince, pastor Temple Church in Hattiesburg is currently teaching the book, "Your Life and Your Church," to new members each Sunday evening at 6:15 in the church auditorium.

The Second Avenue Church, Laurel will begin their revival Wednesday, April 15 and continue through April 24. Rev. C. Z. Holland will be the evangelist and Herbert Valentine will lead the singing. Rev. J. H. Street is pastor.

Rev. W. T. Douglas, pastor First Church of Magnolia, will be the visiting evangelist for the revival next week at the church at Summit.



Shown above is the second associational clinic on Evangelism that has ever been held.

This picture was taken by Mr. J. L. Wilson, Jr., during the evangelism clinic in George County Association in February. The meetings were for four nights, in Rocky Creek Church. With an average of 113 in attendance from four of the five churches, 194 registered. Rev. U. G. Salter is pastor and State Director of Evangelism, C. E. Wilbanks, conducted the meetings. The churches represented, together with their pastors are: Barton, Rev. J. W. Dubose pastor; Lucedale, Rev. Van H. Hardin; Rocky Creek, Rev. U. G. Salter; and Shady Grove, Rev. M. K. Lee.

Rev. and Mrs. George E. Raborn are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy born March 27, and has been given the name Faren Edward. Mrs. Raborn will be remembered as Miss Frances Naron of Houston. The Rev. Mr. Raborn is pastor of Pheba, Hebron and Enon Churches of Clay County.

MR. A. C. MURRAY
March 2, 1953, God in his infinite wisdom called home one of our faithful and dependable Deacons and members of the Harrisville Baptist Church, Brother Archie C. Murray.

Whereas, by his living example of Christian Stewardship and humble faith in Christ, he walked with us and before us while he was living. We take this opportunity to express our thanks to our Heavenly Father for his life among us and for the privilege of knowing him and working with him these great years. He was an inspiration to each and all of us.

We extend to Mrs. Murray, the children, loved ones, and friends our deepest sympathy and pray our God's richest blessings on each of them.

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Baptist Student Union

CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary
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MARY LOUISE HOBART

Misses Mary Louise Hobart, left, of Delta State, and Martha Jo Ashley, Pearl River Junior College, have volunteered for mission work among the Negroes of Mississippi this summer. Please remember them prayerfully.

MISCELLANEA

Pastors, again we suggest a Youth-led Revival for your church and community some time this summer.

Both Ridgecrest and Glorieta registration fees (\$2 each) may be sent in anytime.

One joined Summitt Church, twenty completed B. T. U. Study Course from Southwest Jr. recently.

Damon Wall and Connie Walker are now BSU Presidents at Miss. State, Co-Lin Jr., respectively. Congratulations!

Hainor Miller, Clinton, a student at Tulane's Law School, is Louisiana's Summer Missionary to Hawaii.

Feb. appointees of the Foreign Mission Bd. did not include a single Mississippian. Our prayer is that we'll have more volunteers from among our students . . .

We're sorry to see our beloved pastor, Wayne E. Todd leave our church and the state but feel sure he's doing God's will and will do a great work for Christ at Immanuel Church, Lexington, Ky., our friend Bob Denny's home church.

Clarke had "about sixty" at a recent social which despite a lower attendance than usual was "one of the best." All except two of the Council made it to E. Central's banquet. The Unifier, BSU paper, is an excellent two-page weekly.

Student, have you volunteered yourself in Christ's services for the summer? Do.

Rev. Bob Girling, student at the New Orleans Seminary, has accepted the pastorate of Bluff Springs Church in Pike County. He began his duties there on April 5.

Louis Keeton, Jr., of Southside Church in Meridian, and a student at Mississippi College, has been licensed by that church for the Gospel Ministry.

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Rev. R. A. Morris Dies Suddenly

Rev. Rollie Alban Morris, 63, pastor Newton Church, died from a heart attack at 5:30 a.m. April 1. He was ill only one hour.

Although health had not been up to par for the past year, his trouble was not diagnosed as serious, and he was active until fatally stricken. He and Mrs. Morris attended the annual Rotary-Ann night of Newton Rotary club, at E. C. J. C., Decatur Tuesday night. He gave the invocation at the dinner meeting, and, as usual, filled pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday.

Born at Herron, Ill., January 23, 1890, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Morris and was the last of his immediate family. He received his education at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. Pastorate included Baptist churches at Pana, Ill., Pinckneyville, Ill., Anna, Ill., Holly Springs, Miss., where he served eight years and the Newton church. He was instrumental in erecting new church buildings.

He was prominent in state Baptist affairs, and served as vice president of the State Baptist Convention, trustee of Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, for nine years was member of State Baptist Mission Board, and had served several years as secretary of the Newton Rotary Club, one year as president.

Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Miss Mary Lee Morris of Baptist Hospital Nursing Staff, Memphis, Miss. Elizabeth Morris of Greenville; a niece, Mrs. R. S. Spiller, Illinois. Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Thursday here in the Newton church which he helped to erect and served so faithfully and well. Hutson's funeral home here is in charge, and interment was in the Masonic cemetery. Conducting the funeral was Dr. E. R. Pinson of faculty of Clarke College, Newton.

Rev. H. T. McLaurin of Newton, associational missionary of Newton County, and Dr. John Carter, professor of Bible and Foreign Languages of Clarke College read the Scripture while Louie Farmer, B. S. U. Secretary at Clarke College led in prayer.

—BR—
J. M. MOORE ORDAINED

J. M. Moore was ordained to the full gospel Ministry, Sunday, March 2. The ordination was requested by the Osborne Creek Church in Prentiss County and was held at the Mt. Olive Church. Mr. Moore is pastor of both of these churches. He is a graduate of Union University of Tennessee and the Southwestern Seminary of Fort Worth, Texas.

The sermon was preached by Rev. J. D. Thompson. Rev. H. E. Crawford offered the ordination prayer and Rev. Haywood Moore presented the Bible. Rev. C. A. Alexander gave the charge to the church and the preacher. After a song the newly ordained Minister led in the benedictory prayer.

— MUSIC DEPARTMENT —

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

A QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE MUSIC FESTIVALS

1 — When held? The District Festivals will begin April 13th and close May 15th. Consult the March 26th issue of the Baptist Record for details of the schedule with dates.

2 — What are the divisions? The festival is divided into three sections. Section 1 — Choral Section 2 — Hymn Playing. Section 3 — Instrumental ensembles.

3 — How are these divided? Any church may enter a group from each of the Graded Choir area. Church choir, youth choir, cherub choir, carol choir, or ensembles from either of these groups with not less than 6 members, or one group from each age group may enter. Each church may enter one junior hymn player, and one intermediate hymn player. Each church may enter a brass ensemble, wood wind ensemble, or a string ensemble in the violin family.

4 — What about the selection? Any standard materials from any of the hymnals sold through the Book Store, or anthems recognized as suitable for use in all the churches. Any hymn player may select from the Broadman Hymnal.

5 — Will participation in this

festival qualify groups, or hymn players to go to the States Festival? Yes, participation in the District Festivals qualifies all groups to enter the State Festival.

6 — Will one group be graded against another group? No, each group will be graded on its own merits.

7 — Who may come to the fellowship supper? Everybody who would like to come, just remember to bring a small package of sandwiches.

8 — Are there any hard and fast rules about age limits? No, although it is generally expected that the choirs will follow within the graded choir age groups. A person may participate in the hymn playing, and also be in the ensemble or choir. In some cases, a person might sing in more than one group participating in the festival.

9 — Does the group have to participate in the Association program in order to enter the District? No, but it is advisable that all groups participate in the Associational Festival where the association holds such a festival.

10 — How many are expected to enter these district festivals? A total enrolment is expected to exceed 2400.



REV. T. W. COX

26 Additions Recorded in Tutwiler Revival

There were 26 additions, 16 for baptism, as a result of the revival at Tutwiler, March 22-29, in connection with Delta-wide Crusade.

Rev. M. Glen Smith, pastor Tate Church, Corinth, did the preaching and the pastor, Rev. Earl Edwards, led the music.

"Break the Record Day" was observed March 29 with a record 267 in Sunday School and 147 in Training Union.

There were also 37 rededications.

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Carthage Closes Meet; Makes All-Time Record

The Carthage Church has closed one of its most successful revival efforts. The meeting was under the direction of Rev. Troy Prince, pastor, and Zeno Wells, singer. There were 26 additions during the revival, bringing the total additions for the first three months of this year to 51.

The attendance at both the night and morning services was record breaking. An all-time high in Sunday School attendance, of 315 was reached on Easter Sunday.

The church has adopted a budget total \$30,000.00. The offerings for March, 1953, averaged \$697.08 compared to \$250.43 per Sunday in March, 1952. The Sunday School average for the past month was 202, while the same month last year was 127. The Training Union average for March of this year 76, compared to 44 in 1952.

A Building Program involving the expenditure of approximately \$100,000 is being launched in the very near future.

Baptist Training Union

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3445 AWARDS IN MARCH

A report of study course awards for the month of March received at the State Baptist Training Union Department reveals that 3445 awards were recorded.

The top six of our associations for March are:

Hinds	297	Jones	217
Lauderdale	249	Jackson	206
Lebanon	218	Covington	202

ENLARGEMENT AT OXFORD

Enlargement was the emphasis in Training Union in the Oxford Baptist Church during the entire month of March under the leadership and direction of Mr. Oscar Feagin, Training Union Director, culminating in a week of enlargement, March 23-27.

During the week of study, 71 were enrolled in the classes. The Juniors led in enrollment and attendance. Mr. Auber J. Wilds led the Adults; Rev. Tracy Barnett, Associate Pastor, the Young People; Miss Louise Hill, Intermediates; and Mrs. Tracy Barnett, Juniors. Mrs. Moorehead, along with several other ladies directed the activities of the Nursery, Beginner and Primary groups each night. Additional unions and new leaders were a result of the enlargement effort.

CHICKASAW REPORTS 197

Mrs. Mac Andrews, Associational Training Union Director of Chickasaw Association, reports 197 present at a Mass Meeting held at Houlka on Tuesday, March 19. Eight churches were represented and four pastors were present. Robert Moody of Blue Mountain led the devotional. Amity Church won the banner for the largest attendance.

THE MISSISSIPPI "75" CLUB

Average attendances for March:

Parkway (Hinds)	501	Houston, First	124
Jackson, First	485	Handsboro	121
Brookhaven, First	288	Itta Bena	107
Columbus, First	274	Stonewall	103
Clinton, First	272	Purvis, First	100
East McComb	202	Shiloh (Lawrence)	100
Westview (Hinds)	191	Terry	90
Greenwood, Calvary	186	Calvary, Pascagoula	90
West Point, First	184	Tutwiler	89
Laurel, First	157	Grenada, Emmanuel	87
Biloxi, First	153	Holly Bluff	87
		McComb, Friendship	86

TWO GROUPS IN MASS MEETING

Two group Training Union Associational Mass Meetings were held on March 23, in Covington Association. Group No. 1 met in Williamsburg Church with 121 present, including five Pastors and five Training Union Directors. Group No. 2 met at Lebanon Church with 132 present, including two Pastors and five Training Union Directors. The program was one of the finest ever presented in that association, according to Mrs. C. C. Rogers, Associational Training Union Director.

Southside, Columbus To Have Youth Revival

Southside Church, Columbus, will observe Youth Week April 12-19. It is an annual event in the Columbus Church.

Harold Barrar will be Youth Week pastor with every other office being filled by youth of the church.

Rev. Boyd Armstrong is pastor.

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Winston Co. Expresses Appreciation Of Hickman

The Missions Committee and the Executive Committee of the Winston County Baptist Association have adopted resolutions expressing appreciation to Rev. Norris G. Hickman for his labors in Winston County.

Mr. Hickman recently resigned as Associational Missionary of Winston County after having served in this place for the past six years. He now serves as Superintendent of Associational Missions with the Alcorn Association.

The resolutions signed by Rev. James H. Fairchild and W. L. Yeatman express appreciation for his valuable ministry, the promotion of the organizations within the association, and toward the simultaneous efforts of training, teaching, missions, and evangelism.

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REV. TROY PRINCE

Rev. Troy Prince, above, pastor of the First Church of Carthage, will be the visiting evangelist during the revival to be held at Highland Church, Jackson, April 13-19. E. L. Turner of Clinton will lead the singing. Services will be held daily at 7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The visiting speaker can be heard daily at 10:45 a. m. on Chapel in the Sky over Station WJQS.

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Water Valley Votes To Make Improvements

Last Sunday morning, First Church, Water Valley, voted to take the following forward steps: redecoration of the auditorium, to air condition it and to install a new heating system. One half of the necessary funds was given in cash and pledges the day the program was presented.

During the last six months the Sunday School has had the highest attendance record in many years. Mr. Fred Cox is the new superintendent. Rev. W. C. Howard is pastor.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

PLANNING VALUABLE

That which is given below constitutes the overall plans for the Brotherhood of one of our Brotherhoods. Such planning is the first step in assuring success in the promotion of a church program.

I. Worship Committee:

1. Improve church attendance.
2. Clean up yard.
3. Alleviate parking problem.
4. Rebuild Public Address System.

II. Education Committee:

1. Prepare record of training of church members.
2. Prepare report on Baptist summer camps.

3. Install shelves and racks in the Sunday School building.
 4. Advertise church projects.
 5. Dispense Brotherhood literature.
 6. Dispense Christian literature to the jail, hospital and bus station.

III. Evangelism Committee:

1. Work with Church Evangelism Committee.
2. Locate sponsors for pre-revival cottage prayer meetings.
3. Prepare sample program for cottage prayer meetings.

IV. Stewardship Committee:

1. To educate men of the church financial program.
2. To educate men of the Southern Baptist Cooperative Plan.

V. Benevolence Committee:

1. Visit or see that all ill members of the church are invited.
2. Aid needy families.

VI. Boys' Work:

1. Direct the Scout Troop.
2. Sponsor sports.

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VII. Enlistment Committee:

1. Discover and enlist men for church work.

VIII. Social:

1. Plan a spring and fall social.

IX. Visitation:

1. Visit, prior to the revival, with the aid of all Brotherhood members, all prospects for the church.

X. Chorister:

1. Sponsor a Men's Night during the revival utilizing an all men's choir.

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Ground was broken for the new 13-story Madison-East addition to Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis March 27 with 14 persons, representing the groups necessary to the hospital's operation, participating. The ceremony was held on the site of the new building for which construction will get under way immediately.

The spaders are pictured above as they turned the first earth for the new building which will increase the capacity of Baptist Memorial to 750, making it the largest private hospital in the South.

Left to right: Dr. Paul A. Wieland, Chairman, Executive Committee, Board of Trustees; Dr. Frank S. Groner, Administrator; Hays E. Owen, President, Board; Jim Wright, Jr., representing the more than 65,000 babies born at the hospital; Dr. William J. Wright, Sr., former intern now in practice; Walter Chandler, Chairman, Advisory Committee; Dr. Robert G. Lee, pastor, Bellevue Baptist Church, representing Baptist pastors in the area; Dr. Charles B. Olim, Chief of the hospital's medical staff, and Dr. Francis Murphrey, President of the Staff, both representing the medical profession; V. L. Simmons, Personnel Director and employee with 28 years of service to the hospital; Mrs. Nina M. Basham, Director of Nurses, representing the nursing profession; Dr. Herbert Gene Lanford, acting chief resident, representing the interns and residents who have received training at the hospital; Martha Bell, president of the Student Council, representing the 300 student nurses; Mrs. J. P. Clancy, daughter of A. E. Jennings, long-time supporter of the hospital; and Mrs. H. P. Hurt, wife of the late Dr. Hurt, Memphis pastor and chairman of the building committee when the original building was constructed 41 years ago.

In the article that appeared in last week's Baptist Record concerning the dedication of the New Palestine Church in Pearl River County, it was stated that the building was constructed at a cost of \$15,000. The building is valued at \$75,000 rather than \$15,000.

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Jackson, Van Winkle	505	268		
Jackson, Northside	766	175		
Jackson, First	1658	512		
Jackson, Highland	136	102		
Jackson, Parkway	1245	528		
Jackson, Broadmoor	226	103		
Jackson, Calvary	1773	474		
Main Church	1691	421		
Mission	82	53		
Springfield (Scott Co.)	151	81		
Star (Rankin Co.)	123	76		
Paul Truitt (Rankin Co.)	260	189		
Byram (Hinds Co.)	169	110		
Peach Creek (Panola Co.)	112	78		
Gulfport, First	1183	339		
Newton	583	238		
Bay St. Louis, First	188	78		
Petal Harvey	370	148		
Laurel, Second Avenue	534	124		
County Line (Jones Co.)	91	60		
Morton	326	140		
Picayune, First	651	228		
Pelahatchie	196	79		
Laurel, Highland	249	99		
Pleasant Ridge (Chickasaw Co.)	73	73		
Grenada, First	880	151		
Corinth, Tate St.	340	105		
Mont Soso (Clarke Co.)	103	172		
Houlika (Chickasaw Co.)	113	50		
Columbus, First	973	274		
Meridian, Highland	619	180		
Purvis, First	321	114		
Hattiesburg, Temple	659	162		
Abbeville	57	29		
Kosciusko, Second	265	160		
Grenada, Emmanuel	273	96		
Meridian, Oakland Heights	325	90		
Holly Bluff	155	103		
Harmony (Jones Co.)	366	71		
Louisville, First	601	187		
Philadelphia, First	435	151		
Amity (Chickasaw Co.)	54	52		
Union (Alcorn Co.)	720	63		
Kosciusko, First	1636	351		
Carthage	314	75		
Longview (Oktibbeha Co.)	80	36		
Calhoun City, First	434	135		
Crewder	222	169		
Crystal Springs, First	807	167		
Springfield Chapel				
(Adams Co.)	96	41		
Poplarville, First	290			
Columbus, Southside	267	97		
Main Church	205			
Mission	62			
Louisville, Evergreen	150	79		
Darling	88	75		
Wayside	33	39		
Mt. Zion (Pontotoc Co.)	189	79		
Houston, First	326	134		
Manteo	138			
Richton	215	66		
Lucedale	425	156		
Friendship (Jackson Co.)	91	78		
Greenwood, Calvert	396	174		
Greenville, Second	472	152		
Ita Bena, First	253	95		
Clinton	537	241		
Sand Hill (Jones Co.)	54	52		
Gillsburg	233	169		
Laurel, Wildwood	164	71		
Columbus, East End	301	116		
Hernando, First	241	117		
Norieville	399	106		
Bethel (Amite Co.)	71	73		
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	89	64		
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	209	116		
Raymond	204	88		
Ethel	150	61		
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	201	99		
McComb, Friendship	214	104		
Brookhaven, First	927	322		
Main	856	265		
Southway	51	43		
Halbert Heights	30	14		
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	149	80		
Mt. Zion (Lincoln Co.)	152	90		
Handsboro	261	136		
		March 29, 1953		
		Carthage	223	105
		Hattiesburg, Temple	685	192
		Hattiesburg, Main St.	988	303
		Crewder	222	89
		Tupelo, Harrisburg	515	229
		McComb, Friendship	180	91
		McComb, East	599	237
		Kreole, First	124	46
		Richton	212	64
		Toxish (Pontotoc Co.)	161	68
		Mont Rose (Clarke Co.)	106	300
		Friendship (Jackson Co.)	68	54
		Petal Harvey	374	151

Calvary, Tupelo Elects New Workers



Dr. D. E. Richardson has been elected by Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, to serve as pastor of the Spring Street Mission. He is also teacher of Chemistry and Physics at the Itawamba Junior College, Fulton, Mississippi. He holds the A. B. and M. A. degrees from the University of Alabama and the Th. M. and Th. D. degrees from the New Orleans Seminary and has had wide experience in pastoral and mission work and in the teaching field.

Also announced is the election of Mrs. D. E. Richardson as church librarian and secretary to the pastor. Mrs. Richardson comes with a background of training and experience. She attended the New Orleans Seminary and served as secretary in the Registrar's Office. For several years she was secretary to Dr. W. W. Hamilton while he was president of that institution, and president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mrs. J. H. Feemster has recently been added to the staff of Calvary Church as educational secretary. She was formerly occupying this position in the First Church of Corinth, before she and her family moved to Tupelo.

Concord Dedicates New Educational Building

Concord Church in Choctaw county recently had the dedication of their educational building. Dr. E. C. Williams, state Sunday School secretary, brought the message at the morning hour.

During the afternoon three deacons were ordained. They were: Walker Wood, Sr., H. H. Johns, and R. T. Staples. Rev. Sam Brown, pastor of the Ackerman Church, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. N. G. Hickman, supt. of Associational missions in Winston County, and Rev. W. T. McDowell, pastor of the Pleasant Ridge Church in Oktibbeha county, participated in the program.

Rev. James Richardson of Grenada was the evangelist for the revival which recently closed.

Rev. W. E. Palmer is pastor.

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Has Attendance Record

Sylvia Desorte, of the East Howard Church, Biloxi, recently achieved 1 year of perfect attendance and being 100% in the East Howard Sunday School. She was recognized for this good record in the morning worship service, March 29. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Desorte, 606 Crawford, Biloxi. Mr. Desorte is the Sunday School Superintendent and a deacon. Rev. Fred Williams is pastor.

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NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Here is the schedule of Sunday school district conferences for next week, April 13-17:

**Monday, Leland; Tuesday, Lyon,
Wednesday, Batesville; Thursday,
Calhoun City; Friday, Winona.**

Attend the one most convenient.
Lunch will be served by the host
churches.

OUR BEST SO FAR

Through February, there were
only seven associations that had
not reported Sunday school train-
ing awards for this year, and
we still have seven months to go.

That is by far the best we have
ever had for the first five months
of a year. We should get out 100
per cent early this time.

The seven associations that had
not reported through February
are: Clarke, Itawamba, Lamar,
Monroe, Oktibbeha County, Smith,
and Tate.

We are sure these will be com-
ing in soon, and thus complete the
cycle for another year, as we have
been doing now for several years.

STANDARDS ARE HIGH NOW

Mississippi is certainly high on
the Standard list among the states
for the first five months of this
year — October through February.

As of Feb. 28, we had a total of
334 standard units, which was 134
more than for the same time last
year.

Also, only three states — Ala-
bama, Florida and Oklahoma —
were ahead of us in total stand-
ard units for that time.

Our very sincere thanks to all
who had a part in this very splen-
did record.

FEBRUARY AWARDS
RECORDS

No awards for Feb.	2,821
No. awards to date	11,147
No. churches	339
No. associations	66

FIVE HIGH ASSOCIATIONS

Hinds	353
Gulf Coast	251
Lauderdale	249

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Kosciusko, First
Training Week

More than 140 awards were earned
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Kosciusko, March 23-26. Enrollment
began four weeks in advance of
the designated week of training.
Training records of the individual
officers and teachers were studied
and evaluated after which they
were enrolled in the appropriate
course as indicated by their overall
training experience.

Some 25 to 30 workers, who could
not attend evening class are com-
pleting a course by the individual
study method. Approximately 12
workers are earning two or more
awards within one month.

Adult Classes: Men's Dept. II,
East McComb, Theo Holmes; Fel-
lowship, East McComb, C. B.
White; Fellowship, Temple, Hattiesburg,
Mrs. J. B. Purvis; Homemakers, Dept. I, Second
Ave., Laurel; Euzelian, Brookhaven,
First, Mrs. Lucy Ritchie; Phi-
latheia, Dept. II, Meridian, First,
Mrs. Eugene Seale; Key, North-
side, Jackson, Mrs. J. J. Pas-
chal; Sunshine Sisters, Dept. II,
Brookhaven, First, Mrs. W. P.
Evans; Golden Circle, Dept. II,
Crystal Springs, Mrs. J. K. Wil-
liams.

Adult Department; No. 1, Brook-
haven, First, Mrs. W. T. Ware,
supt.

Intermediate Classes: Pure Gold,
Brookhaven First, Mrs. Chester
Vaughn; Broad Casters, South
Side, Meridian, Mrs. L. C. Splawn;
M. Class, Mendenhall, Johnnie
Massey; 15 year girls, Int. II, Cal-
vary, Jackson, Mrs. Hattie Man-
gum; 16 year girls, Calvary,
Jackson, Mrs. C. Black; 13 year
girls, Jackson, First, Mrs. J. C.
Gladney; Daughters of Ruth,
Vicksburg, First, Mrs. Oscar
Branan.

Young People's Classes: Ha-
worth, Vicksburg, First, M. M.
Abernathy; Pals, Columbus,
First, Lewis B. Beard.

Extension Department and
Groups; Parkway, Jackson, Mrs.
Joe A. Holliday, spt., and these
Visitors of Standard Groups —
Mrs. Ed Bessonette, J. M. Farr,
Mrs. John Rees, Mrs. H. E.
Smith, Mrs. C. J. Thompson, Mrs.
O. J. Wells.

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**SOUTHERN BAPTIST ON
"CHURCH OF THE AIR"**

Dr. Harold W. Tribble, Presi-
dent of Wake Forest (N. C.) Sou-
thern Baptist College in North
Carolina, will speak on the topic
"Like A Tree" on CBS Radio's
"Church of the Air" Sunday, April
12. Dr. Tribble will speak from
the Wake Forest College Campus.
The Wake Forest College Glee
Club, with Dr. Paul S. Robinson,
director, at the organ, will pro-
vide the music.

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New Prospect Church in DeSoto
County will have their annual
homecoming service on Sunday,
April 12. Of particular interest to
former members and friends will
be the observance of the new
building. Rev. Brooks Ramsey of
Glen Park, Texas will be the
guest speaker. Rev. Leon Scarbor-
ough is the pastor.

Midway Youth Evangelist



REV. BILL ROBY

Rev. Bill Roby, above, will be the
evangelist during the youth revival
to be held at Midway Church,
Jackson, on April 12-19. George
Dukes will direct the singing. The
observance of youth week is to be
combined with the youth revival.
Rev. Ray M. Dykes is pastor.

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**HATTIESBURG SOUTHSIDE
TO BUILD BAPTISTRY**

A baptistry, to cost about \$300,
will be built in the Southside
Church in Hattiesburg, Rev. Gar-
land McInnis, pastor.

The church has also voted to
adopt the Every-Family Plan of
the Baptist Record and to observe
Youth Week the last week in April.

Many other improvements are
being made in the work of the
church, in addition to increased
activities.

Selections from the Journal of
Francis Asbury which has been
published by The Upper Room,
Nashville, Tenn. costs 10 cents per
copy. It has been said that the early
circuit riders made as great a
contribution to the development of
America as did the great states-
men. There were many of these
circuit riders in various denomina-
tions, but Francis Asbury stands
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Stewardship Week Interest Growing

More and more churches are committing themselves to observe Christian Stewardship Week with a School of Stewardship Oct. 18-25, it has been revealed by W. R. Roberts, general chairman of the week.

Every mail brings return postal cards and other forms of commitment indicating that churches will cooperate.

If your church plans to participate and has not already done so please contact Mr. Roberts, Box 530, Jackson, so the name of your church can be added to the list. Below is another group of participating churches:

Providence, Franklin Co., Rev. W. A. Greene.

Pinola, Rev. O. O. Davis.

Horn Lake, Rev. Eugene Fleming.

Beulah, Deer Creek Assn., Rev. J. H. Burrell.

Calvary, Panola Co., Rev. L. G. Camp, Jr.

Pleasant Ridge, Calhoun Co., Rev. W. M. Crocker.

Sidon, Rev. R. L. Jordon.

Moak's Creek, Lincoln Co., Rev. Harold Douglas.

Dinan, Walhall Co., Rev. Allen Brabham.

Calhoun City, First, Rev. Clarence Cutrell.

Meridian, Poplar Springs Drive, Dr. David Q. Byrd.

Pilgrim Rest, Panola Co., Rev. Sammie Crawford.

Canton, First, Rev. David T. Crawford.

Slayden, Marshall Co., Rev. Robert B. Deline.

Durant, First, Rev. C. M. Day.

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DR. MARSHALL CRAIG

Dr. Marshall Craig, above, of Gaston Avenue Church, Dallas, Texas, will be the evangelist during the revival at the First Church, McComb, April 20-26. Rev. Wyatt R. Hunter is pastor.

Rev. C. M. Day.

Crowder, Rev. George M. Coaker.

Hernando, First, Rev. Grant Clark.

Marion, Rev. Hulon Allen.

Central, Lowndes Co., Rev. J. G. Atkins.

Cary, Rev. Ollie Bryant.

Handsboro, Rev. Glenn P. Dismukes.

Immanuel Chapel, Gulf Coast Assn., Rev. Glenn P. Dismukes.

Barton, George Co., Rev. J. W. Dubose.

Union, First, Rev. Dan Cameron.

Pascagoula, First, Dr. T. J. DeLaughter.

Liberty, Rev. Roy Collum.

Key Field, Lauderdale Co., Rev.

R. H. Cherry.

McComb, Locust St., Rev. Herman Hayes.

Harperville, Rev. E. T. Glover.

Ridge, Scott Co., Rev. E. T. Glover.

Decatur, Clarke Venable Memorial, Rev. John W. Cook.

Lucedale, Rev. Van Hardin.

Salem, Walhall Co., Rev. Carl B. Case.

Harmony, Jones Co., Rev. T. E. Fant.

Greenville, First, Dr. Perry Claxton.

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Bissell, Lee Co., Rev. G. L. Ford.

Calvary, Monroe Co., Rev. G. L. Ford.

Clarksdale, Dr. F. K. Horton.

Harmony, Copiah Co., Rev. Freddie Brister.

Center Ridge, Yazoo Co., Rev.

Jack Cranford.

Bethel, Perry Co., Rev. Dan Holcomb.

Washington, Rev. W. E. Hardy.

Cleveland, First, Dr. William Harry Clarke.

Hopewell, Franklin Co., Rev.

Franklin Haire.

Siloam, Franklin Co., Rev. Franklin Haire.

Jackson, First, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Pastor.

Batesville, First, Rev. Robert W. Martin.

New Palestine, Pearl River Co., Rev. J. E. Moak.

Georgetown, Rev. R. W. Porter.

Ruleville, Rev. M. G. Reedy.

Antioch, Jeff Davis Co., Rev. G.

W. Horn.

Dublin, Jeff Davis Co., Rev. G.

W. Horn.

Baptist Work In Texas

By W. R. ESTEP, JR.

Chairman Publicity Committee

Southern Baptist Convention

Houston, Texas.

Baptist history in Texas is, to say the least, out of the ordinary as far as the growth of Baptists in the United States is concerned. It is believed that pioneer Baptists came into the vast territory which is now Texas around 1812. By 1822, in spite of opposition and threats of imprisonment from the Mexican authorities, Baptists had come into both the political and religious leadership of the Texas frontier. Sam Houston, a man of Baptist leanings from Tennessee, led in the fight for independence against the combined forces of papal tyranny and Mexican oppression. With the formation of the new Republic, Baptist work passed through another ever widening phase of its existence which continued to increase with even greater tempo with Texas being admitted to the Union.

The success of the Baptist message in Texas has been phenomenal. From an insignificant despised sect in a foreign land, Texas Baptists now number 1,254,233 in 3,500 churches. Texas Baptist headquarters, under the direction of the executive secretary, Dr. J. Howard Williams, is located in Dallas, with over twenty departments and phases included in the scope of Texas Baptist work.

The Baptist educational system embraces seven senior colleges, one junior college, an academy, and three professional schools.

A Southern Baptist institution, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, is located in Ft. Worth. Another, Relief and Annuity Board is located in Dallas.

Texas Baptists maintain six hospitals in different sections of the state, and Southern Baptists support a hospital in San Antonio.

Along with the program of teaching, preaching, and healing, three orphanages in the state care for between 850 and 900 children. Texas Baptist Haven, a home for the aged, will soon become a real-

ity. A forty-five acre site on Memorial Drive in Houston has already been purchased for it.

And the end is not yet in sight. With the population of the Northeast ever shifting toward the Southwest, and particularly Texas, Baptists are presented with the never ending problem of winning the stranger, who many times does not speak his language either literally or figuratively, to Christ. The future is truly as bright as the promises of God and the vision and energies of Texas Baptists.

—BR—

Too Much Time

An Alabama pastor did some figuring after he had persistently heard the complaint, "There are so many meetings at the church every week! They want us to maintain family worship, attend Sunday School, Training Union, two Worship Services on Sunday and the Church at Prayer on Wednesday night. Then I'm expected at the Officers and Teachers meeting on Wednesday, and they want me to visit on Thursday night!"

The pastor did a little basic arithmetic and here is the result: 30 minutes for daily family worship — 3½ hours.

The Church at Prayer — 1 hour. Thursday Night Visitation — 1½ hours.

S. S. Officers and Teachers Meeting (including supper) — 1½ hours.

Sunday School and Morning Worship — 2½ hours.

Training Union and Evening Worship — 2½ hours.

Preparation and Study, Sunday School and Training Union — two hours.

Total — 14½ hours.

Subtracted from the 168 hours in each week, 153½ hours remain. Work takes 40 hours. If we sleep 8 hours a day, this takes 56 hours. This leaves 57½ hours for MYSELF, or almost four times as much as a full program of home AND church AND worship requires of Mr. Average Member.

THINK THIS OVER!—Exchange.



MISS LILA ANN WALLACE

Miss Lila Ann Wallace, Charleston, has been elected President of the Student Government Council of Blue Mountain College for the 1953-54 session.

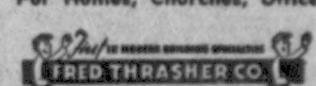
—BR—

A spring revival meeting will be held at Evergreen Baptist church in co-operation with Winston county simultaneous revival April 5-10. Rev. W. L. Yeatman, pastor of the church will be the evangelist and Ernice John, Music director of the church will conduct the music.



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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Natchez

It was our privilege to supply at Natchez on March 29. There was a full house for the morning service and a good crowd on hand for the evening service.

Although the debt is small the people are making plans for an Easter offering to take care of most, if not all, of the outstanding indebtedness.

Although the pastor, Dr. W. A. Sullivan, has been out of the pulpit for several weeks, the work goes on in an excellent way. All organizations are functioning just as if the pastor were on the job.

Record readers in Adams County are now listed as follows: IMMANUEL 171; NATCHEZ, FIRST 478; NATCHEZ, WEST SIDE 190; CRANFIELD 29; WASHINGTON 56; SPRING FIELD CHAPEL 23; Cloverdale 19; FELLOWSHIP 23; and FRIENDSHIP 22.

State Boulevard Is No. 1056

Having had experience elsewhere with the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record, Pastor W. H. Henderson of State Boulevard Church, Meridian, lost no time in leading that church to adopt the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

From now on State Boulevard Baptists are going to keep up with Baptist affairs at home and abroad.

Lauderdale County Baptist Record readers are now listed as follows: ARKADELPHIA 36, CENTER GROVE 29, BETHANY 25, CARMEL 38, CAUSEYVILLE 49, COLLINSVILLE 32, Daleville 16, FELLOWSHIP 46, GOODWATER 25, HEBRON 63, HICKORY GROVE 36, KEWANEE 29, LIBERTY 20, LONG CREEK 34, MACEONIA 50, MARION 35, Meehan 11, MERIDIAN, FIRST 601, MERIDIAN, 8TH AVE. 151, MERIDIAN, 15TH AVE. 294, MERIDIAN, EASTVIEW 118, MERIDIAN, 41ST AVE. 312, MERIDIAN, HIGH-



BOYD STURDIVANT

Boyd Sturdivant, above, was recently licensed to preach by the Highland Baptist Church of Jackson. Mr. Sturdivant has proven himself to be a faithful worker since he has been in this church. He is presently enrolled at Miss. College at Clinton.

—BR—

39 Additions In Hollywood Revival

Rev. George Horn of Memphis was the visiting evangelist for the revival at Hollywood Church at Sledge March 22-29. The pastor, Rev. Brooks McMaster, led the music. There were 37 additions for baptism and 2 by letter.

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BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss. Mar. 30 — The spring term of Blue Mountain College will begin April 20 and end May 29. The first term of the summer session will begin June 3 and end July 8. Split-session elementary and high school teachers will be able to obtain 12 semester hours of credit by attending the spring term and the first term of the summer session. The second term of the summer session begins July 9 and ends August 14.

LAND 164, MERIDIAN, OAKLAND HEIGHTS 107, MERIDIAN, POPLAR SPRINGS 216, MERIDIAN, SOUTHSIDE 156, KEY FIELD 62, MIDWAY 74, MT. GILDED 29, Mt. Horeb 1, MT. OLIVE 37, NEW HOPE 52, New Zion 16, OAK GROVE 84, PINE GROVE 60, RUSSELL 44, SALEM 22, TOOMSUBA 29, Union 1, and STATE BOULEVARD 63.

New Church Adopts BR Every Family Plan

Believing that a good beginning means a good ending, the newly organized Bellevue Church of Lamar County has adopted the Every Family Plan of the Baptist Record.

A letter from William A. Cole, Jr., asks that the Baptist Record be sent to the families of that church, which number 22.

The Baptist Record has subscribers in Lamar County now listed as follows: BAXTERVILLE 66; CALVARY 31; CORINTH 33; New Hope 1; GREENVILLE 34; HICKORY GROVE 56; LUMBERTON 147; MILITARY 22; ORAL 30; PURVIS 151; SUMRALL 91; BELLEVUE 22; OLAH 43.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.

CALLED AND ACCEPTED:

Burton A. Miley, First, Springdale, Ark. from First, Marianne, Ark.

Frank D. Smith, New Hope, La. from First, Calhoun, La.

E. G. Andrews, Jr., First, Ullin, Illinois.

Julian Jones, Port Arthur, Tex. (Truett Memorial).

J. K. Lawton, Poplar Springs, S. C. from Missionary of Laurens and Reedy River Associations.

Walter Stone, Ebenezer, La. from New Union.

Ralph Webber, Sicily Island, La. from Utility, La.

Ralph R. Hensley, Enon, N. C. from Asheville, N. C.

J. R. Everett, First, Spring Lake, N. C. from First, Maiden, N. C.

Zeno Green, Naples, N. C.

Aaron C. Phipps, Mount Moriah, N. C. from Woodlawn, Danville, Va.

Edward G. Aetland, Friendship, N. C. from Texas.

Luther Swanson, Beaverdam, N. C. from Mt. Beulah, S. C.

Waldo D. Early, Falling Creek, N. C. from Mt. Elam, N. C.

Douglas M. Branch, Rocky Mount, N. C.; from First, Kannapolis, N. C.

Paul S. Stokes, Catfish, near Latta, S. C. from Gum Branch, McBee, N. C.

Dalton L. Ward, Clarendon, Alcoa, S. C. from Maple Church, Conway, S. C.

Glen Lee Green, Oak Ridge, La. from Gonzales, La.

D. Louie Rankin, Pisgah Church, Bernice, La.

Lavelle Johnston, Clark Springs Church, Eros, La.

Donald F. Callahan, New Hope Church, Bogalusa, La. from Thomas, La.

Oscar Bradford, Searcy Church, Trout, La. from Aimwell, La.

J. T. Harbin, First, Peakland, Tenn. from Pennine Church, Spring City, Tenn.

James A. Holston, Jr., Lakeview Church, Camden, S. C.

Varnon Maxteas, Pacific, Mo. from Maysville, Mo.

J. Ed Taylor, Newberry, S. C. from First, Lockhart, S. C.

H. O. Nicely, West Creek Ridge Association, Ky.



BRADLEY POPE

Elected this week to the presidency of the Baptist Student Union at Mississippi College for next year was Bradley Pope, a ministerial student from Brookhaven. Hal Lee, Pascagoula, was elected to serve as Enlistment Vice-President; Joe Hamilton, Tallulah, La., as Social Vice-President; and Peggy Emerson, Hernando, as Devotional Vice-President.

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Protestant Youth Ejected From Soviet Zone School

BERLIN (RNS) An Evangelical youth was expelled from the local high school in Werdau, Saxony, by order of the Soviet Zone education ministry which also ruled that he was to be excluded from all other high schools.

The youth, Hans Christoph Rothe, was a member of the Junge Gemeinde (Protestant Young Community) which East German Communists have been attacking for several months.

Young Rothe was charged with exerting "subversive influence" upon "progressive" students. He also was accused of denouncing as lies the recent attacks by the Commu-

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

40 YEARS AGO—

Pastor H. W. Provence retires from the pastoral care of the Clinton Church to give his time to teaching in Mississippi College, occupying the chair of Bible and philosophy.

The Booneville Church has completed "one of the handsomest churches in North Mississippi and the building is an ornament to the town." Rev. John Buchanan is the pastor.

25 YEARS AGO—

The Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union's Ruby Anniversary Challenge was in the form of a poem written by Miss Margaret Lackey, Corresponding Secretary, and consisted of thirteen stanzas, closing with the following:

"Accept the challenge of this Ruby year,
And face that glad Tomorrow without fear!
Yes, strengthen stakes and lengthen three fold cords,
Till Earth with all her fullness is the Lord's."

The Woman's College Y. W. A. won the banner that was given away at the W. M. U. State Convention at McComb. All the College Y. W. A.'s of the state were in competition, and were graded on giving, reading missionary articles, observing a daily prayer calendar and attendance.

nist youth organ, Junge Welt, which alleged that church young people's organizations were covering up anti-state propaganda with "religious masks."

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PASTOR

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Rev. G. L. Ford

None

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Rev. L. W. Simmons

Rev. James Welch

Rev. J. E. Robers

Rev. J. S. Johnson

Rev. A. G. Graham

Rev. Frank Roblin

Rev. C. E. (Dan) Patch

Rev. Hugh Conwill

None

Rev. W. L. Day

Rev. J. I. Berryhill

Rev. Howard H. Aultman

Rev. Don Reed

Rev. Don Sheffield

Evangelist

Rev. Dan Patch

Pastor

Rev. Frank Roblin

Rev. H. L. Spencer

Pastor

Rev. Lawrence Riley

Rev. R. B. Patterson

Rev. C. A. Alexander

Rev. Thurman Booth

Pastor (3 days)

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Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. Clifton J. Allen
FOR APRIL 12, 1953

PAUL'S CONVERSION

TEXTS: Acts 7:58 to 8:3 9:1-30; 22:1-21. Galatians 1:1; Philippians 3:4-6.

We begin with this lesson the study of "Paul and Some of His letters." Many acclaim him as the foremost interpreter of Christ, the mightiest force in the spread of Christianity, and the noblest example of triumphant Christian living. Our lesson tells of Paul's activity as a bloodthirsty persecutor; records his personal testimony of that wonderful experience; declares his divine appointment as an apostle; and shows that his ideal religious heritage was not sufficient to bring him into right relationship with God. Paul's conversion marked a turning point in the Christian era.

PAUL THE PERSECUTOR

Paul could tell of his early life with pride. He was a Jew, a member of the honored tribe of Benjamin. His parents were devout, for he was brought up according to the strictest requirements of the Mosaic law. He grew up in Tarsus and very likely attended the great university there. In his youth he was sent to Jerusalem to study at the feet of Gamaliel.

But Paul had to tell also of his bloody persecution. Being very zealous for God, he became the leader of those seeking to stamp out Christianity. Violent with hate, relentless in purpose, he persecuted the Christians even unto death. We know of Stephen; there may have been others. Having routed the Christians from Jerusalem he obtained a commission to go to Damascus for a similar purpose. Such was the person Christ laid hold upon for the gospel.

FACE TO FACE WITH JESUS

Paul must have remembered continuously Stephen's unanswerable arguments and the vision of his victorious death. He must have struggled with the question, What if Jesus is the Messiah? Just before he reached Damascus, he was confronted suddenly with a great light, brighter than that of the dazzling noonday sun; and he heard a voice, the voice of Jesus of Nazareth.

The persecutor was face to face with Jesus. The person he thought to be dead was actually alive. The Jesus of Nazareth whom he had hated with his whole being, whose followers he had sought to destroy, now with tenderest love. Paul was immediately convicted of his own sin. He realized the utter worthlessness of his morality, culture, and religious zeal to make him right with God. With penitence and humility he said, "What shall I do, Lord?" That is the crux of what happened on the Damascus Road. Paul bowed his will to the will of Jesus. This was Paul's conversion.

A CHOSEN VES

The glory of Christ blinded Paul physically but illuminated his soul spiritually. His blindness was a gracious provision to give time to think. Paul's companions led him by the hand into Damascus, where

Leading Revival in Macon



REV. GERALD RIDDELL,

Rev. Gerald Riddell above, missionary to Columbia, South America, is preaching, and Rev. E. C. Edwards of Tutwiler, is leading the singing in a jointly sponsored revival of the Concord-Elon-Macon Baptist Churches which began on Sunday night, April 5th and will run continuously through Sunday night, April 12.

—BR—

NW Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference To Meet April 14

The Northwest Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference will meet at Senatobia on April 14.

The Program Chairman, Rev. Tracy Barnett, has announced that Rev. L. G. Camp will bring the sermon. Others on the program will be Rev. Bill Green, Dr. E. R. Henderson, and Rev. F. V. McFadden.

for three days he neither ate nor drank and was without sight. A disciple in Damascus named Ananias was commissioned by the Lord to go to Paul and restore his sight. His greeting to the new convert, "Brother Saul," testifies to his magnanimity as he went to bring healing and instruction to one who had treated the Christians so shamefully. Ananias declared also to Paul God's purpose in his salvation: Paul should be a witness unto all men of the truth about Jesus Christ.

Ananias concluded his message with an exhortation to Paul to arise and be baptized—openly to declare his faith in Jesus and symbolize his cleansing from sin.

Every conversion is different; every conversion is alike.—The elements accompanying conversion will never be the same for any two people. But every conversion experience must include internal realities which are alike. These are: a sense of personal need; a recognition of the living Christ; an attitude of penitence and trust; a definite surrender of oneself to the will of the Saviour.

Conversion changes people.—Something radical and revolutionary takes place. The love for sin is put to death and a love for righteousness is born. Submission to Satan is changed to allegiance to Christ. While the lives of many professing Christians reveal a distressing lack of these qualities, it is true that conversion is the most transforming experience that can come to a soul.

Calvary, Greenville Uses New Baptistry Easter

Twenty-one were baptized in the new baptistry at the Calvary Church in Greenville on Easter Sunday night.

The church has experienced a great revival under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. E. D. Elliott, the song leader, W. W. Valentine. With two days of revival services remaining, there have been 31 additions and nine members have rededicated their lives.

Since Pastor Elliott began his ministry there twelve weeks ago, 128 new members have been added. New parking space has been made available outside the auditorium, and more seating capacity provided within. The church is acquiring new lots in a more desirable location immediately and hopes to begin a new structure in the near future.

—BR—

In Christ there is no North or South, no Brazilian or North American.—James P. Kirk, missionary to Brazil.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

April 13—District No. 10 Music Festival at Port Gibson; Riley Munday, BSU Secretary, Mississippi Southern College.

April 14—Mrs. J. H. Carner, Le Flore Associational WMU Superintendent; District No. 5 Music Festival At Brookhaven.

April 15—John Morrow Martin, Prentiss Associational Training Union Director, District No. 4 Music Festival at East McComb.

April 16—Rev. Arthur Leslie, Chickasaw Associational Sunday School superintendent; District No. 1 Music Festival at First, Gulfport.

April 17—District No. 6 Music Festival at Magee; State Retreat For BSU officers.

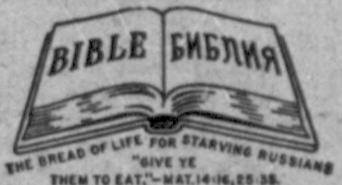
April 18—H. A. Carlock, faculty, Mississippi College; Dr. John T. Carter, faculty, Clarke College.

April 19—Rev. R. E. Robbins, Holmes Associational Organizer of Evangelism; H. M. Roberts, Clarke Associational Brotherhood President.

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"Where there is no vision, the people perish." Prov. 29:18.



Anyone who says that the Bible cannot be gotten to the Russians is playing in the hands of communists who do not want the Bible to reach the Russian people. How stupid are those who assert that because king Saul could not kill Goliath, that no one else could do it either. When years ago Russia was closed to the Gospel, and everybody said: "Nothing can be done," the Russian Bible Society printed and spread 81,000 Bibles. With God there are no Red Seas which cannot be crossed by faith. While others are doubting, the Russian Bible Society is again getting ready its Bible sling to shoot at the communist Goliath. Through the ministry of Pastor Malof, the exiled Russian Church leader and President of the Russian Bible Society, more souls have been converted to Christ on the Russian mission fields than through any other human instrument. He has been called the Martin Luther and John Wesley of Russia. The well known Christian leader, Colonel F. J. Miles, the former chief Chaplain of the Australian armed forces, has recently stated:

"I am constrained to write you prasing God and congratulating you on your great achievement in making the Bible available to the Russian races. That there is a greater demand than ever among Slavs for the inerrant, infallible and inspired Word, makes this issue the more important. Of the multiplicity of ministries which our Lord has privileged you to initiate, in my judgment, this last seems fraught with greater possibilities than any one that has preceded it; to which end I am confident that God will grant His abundant blessing."—F. J. Miles.

The Russian Bible Society deserves the most liberal support of all Bible loving people. For \$2.00 one Bible can be printed, for \$100. fifty and for \$1,000 five hundred Bibles. Donations may be addressed to the Russian Bible Society, Inc., P. O. Box 2709, Washington, D. C. The opportunity is great, and the need most urgent.

UNION RIDGE PASTORIUM DEDICATION HELD



Dedication services for the new pastor's home of Union Ridge Church in Winston County were held Sunday, March 29.

Claude Ming, Murphy Creek Baptist Church, delivered the dedicatory message and with him on the program were Roper Covington, Noxapater, and W. A. Taylor, Louisville.

Open house was held at the home after the services in the church and approximately a hundred people registered.

The church body adopted the building program and floor plan on April 6, 1952. Preliminary work was begun on the parsonage in

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A DREAM COMING TRUE

BY J. T. GILLESPIE

Few dreams are ever fully realized. Yet we continue to dream and rejoice in the progressive realization of what we dream.

The City Mission Program is now in operation in 43 Southern cities. This does not include any cities in the five western state conventions. For many years the program was nothing more than a dream in the minds and hearts of Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Dr. S. F. Dowis, and others. Enough of that dream has already been realized to show that it pays to dream.

The Dream

In their annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention in 1942 the Home Mission Board said: "We have also in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention some thirty or forty cities with a population of over 100,000 each and in not one of these cities do we have an adequate mission program. In addition to these large cities there are some thirty or forty cities with a population ranging from 50,000 to 100,000 each, and no adequate mission program in any one of them. Here is a supremely important task for Home Mission work. We must save our cities if we would save our country."

The report of 1943 indicates crystallization of former dreams and plans. It declares: "We have also added new departments. Notably among these is the City Mission Department, of which Dr. S. F. Dowis is superintendent."

In the establishment of the City Mission Department the Home Mission Board again exhibited the Baptist policy of following the New Testament plans in mission work. Look at Paul's plan of going to the cities and establishing churches which would "sound forth the gospel" in the "regions round about."

The Dream Realized

The wisdom of the City Mission Program is seen in the phenomenal success of its efforts from the beginning. The first annual report of Supt. Dowis for the year 1942, included work in four cities: Houston, Atlanta, Washington, and Birmingham. Five other cities were reported as entering the program during 1943, with five others having approved the program, elected their superintendents, and ready to go "as soon as these superintendents can be released from their present work." Still eight other cities were ready "when the superintendents can be found to lead the work."

These first four superintendents, during their first year (1942) among other results reported 71 missions stations set in operation, 8 new churches constituted, 562 professions of faith, 686 additions to churches, and 25 different "kinds of services" conducted.

This first report pointed out five outstanding spiritual needs in our cities. They are the non-resident Baptist members; the foreigners in our cities; the negroes; the neglected and underprivileged group; and the large group of those out in the suburbs of our cities not reached and used by the churches. More than 60 per cent of the population of our cities is still unchurched. The City Mission Program provides a definite plan



Blue Mountain, Miss., April 6—The speech department of Blue Mountain College will present John D. Ravold's "Little Women," based on the novel by Louisa M. Alcott, Saturday evening at 8:00 o'clock in the Garrett Hall of Fine Arts. The play is being directed by Lin Welch, head of the department.

for reaching every one of these groups for the Lord and training them for Christian service."

Thus the program was launched with definite goals to meet definite needs with definite plans with definitely placed responsibility and met with definite results immediately.

Some of the results for the ten-years of operation can be tabulated: total number of cities reporting, 50 (approximately); new churches constituted, 653; mission services held, 599,248; professions of faith in mission services, 99,538; additions to churches, 91,210; institutional services held, 52,087; home fellowship hours, 99,364; and all at a total cost to the Home Mission Board of 751,268.

This would indicate that for every 7.55 expended by the Home Mission Board in the City Missions department, it has been able to report one profession of faith. The greater portion of the evangelizing cost was provided by Baptist state and city forces, and is not included in this figure. This seems to show that a most fruitful expenditure of Home Mission money is in cooperation with state and associational forces.

Still Dreaming

In the first year of the second century of the life of the Home Mission Board (1946) its Executive Secretary, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, gave voice to his dreams. One of his potent remarks is as follows: "To Christianize America, therefore, means to bring the civilization of America under the sovereignty of Christ; it means to bring Christian influences to bear on the immigrant populations in our industrial centers, to help racial and underprivileged groups to realize the life of Christ; to build virile, vital, functioning New Testament churches throughout the land; to develop a Christian community life in cities and in country; to fence against the inroads of spiritual disintegration; to generate spiritual enthusiasm and to transfuse all the life forces of America with the spiritual enthusiasm and to trans-

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with the spiritual potencies of the kingdom of God."

Following this mission and bringing its part into a practical program, Dr. Dowis says in his 1952 report, "The City Mission Program consists of seven primary types of mission work: Home Fellowship Hour, mission stations, new churches, institutional services, program for juvenile delinquents, program of counseling for broken homes, and special ministry to minority groups. In addition . . . it supports evangelism, stewardship, and all the other promotional activities of the association and our denomination."

Working toward these goals in 43 cities the program is able to report for the year ending October 31, 1952; 366 mission stations, 88 new churches total mission services 46,083, sermons and addresses, 6,218, professions of faith 6,869, and additions to churches 8,984.

Thus the City Mission Program has been firmly established in our denominational life and bids fair to continue as an increasingly powerful agent in the Baptist effort to save our cities.

It pays to dream.

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BERKELEY, Calif. —(BP)—The close of the spring semester at Golden Gate Seminary, Berkeley, Calif., will end five years of service as Greek and New Testament professor for Dr. A. L. Aulick. The retiring teacher was elected professor emeritus at the December 12 meeting of the board of trustees.

Immorality and dishonesty are prevalent here. The people seem to think nothing of lying. Theft is common. I look upon all this as the inevitable condition of a society without the knowledge of the gospel of Christ.—Hoke Smith, Jr., missionary to Colombia, in language school in Costa Rica.

I have taken up gardening. It is amusing what a diet of rice and beans for a week can do to bring out the tiller of the soil in one—Betsy Dunning (Mrs. C. E.) Comp-

CHURCHMEN GET LIQUOR LICENSES CANCELLED

PONTIAC, Mich. —(RNS)—Local clergymen spearheaded a campaign here that led the City Commission to cancel 13 new licenses for selling liquor by the glass which it had approved just prior to the Christmas holidays.

An ordinance raising the number of such licenses from 24 to 37 had been passed by the City Commission by a vote of 4 to 3 despite the fact that the action was strongly opposed at public hearings.

However, when opposition forces led by Pontiac churchmen secured the necessary number of signatures on a petition calling for a referendum on the ordinance, the Commission itself adopted amendment cutting the number of licenses back to the original 24.

Editor's Note: We could improve conditions in many places if the Christian people would do more doing.

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TAKES REDUCED RANK TO SERVE AS CHAPLAIN

CHERRY POINT, N. C. — It's common enough to find bankers, bakers, carpenters, farmers, truck drivers, college students and many others from all walks of life as members of the Marine Corps. But many eyebrows are apt to raise at the sight of a chaplain wearing Naval aviator's wings.

Lt. (jg) Gordon Griffin, son of Mrs. J. H. Griffin, Ripley, Miss., Chaplain Corps, U. S. Navy, now attached to Marine Aircraft Group 35 of the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing here, wears his aviator's wings on his chest and chaplain's crosses on his sleeve.

All of Griffin's service time has not been with the Chaplains Corps. During World War II, following his graduation from Northwest (Miss.) Junior College, he entered the Navy as a flight cadet and was a lieutenant when he left the service.

Returning to civilian life once more, he spent two years at Memphis State College, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree. From Memphis, he moved to the Baptist Seminary at New Orleans, La.

Shortly after completion of his course at the Seminary, the Navy recalled him when the situation in Korea became acute. He was recalled as a Naval aviator, but, being a man of God, he took a reduction in rank — to lieutenant junior grade — in order to follow the work for which he had been preparing himself. He is now at Cherry Point, serving with the famed Second Marine Aircraft Wing.

He says, "I miss the flying I used to do as a cadet instructor. However, my work as a chaplain is a full time job. It keeps me so busy that I don't know where I would have found the time to do much flying if it was allowed."

If the success which the well-liked young chaplain has met while conducting his duties here is any indication of his career in civilian life later on, he'll be a most welcome man of God in any Baptist church in the land.

U. S. Troops In Korea Build Underground Chapel

Soldiers of the Army's 17th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company take a special pride in the unit chapel which they built with voluntary labor and recently dedicated—it is believed to be the only underground chapel along the Korean front.

Constructed of native timber and logs, which support the earth above it, the chapel seats approximately 80 persons.

Americans and Koreans pitched in to build the structure which is dedicated to the memory of two young soldiers.

The bunker type structure serves as a place of refuge in case of enemy artillery or air attacks as well as a place of worship.

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R. Q. Leavell Visiting South American Schools

Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, left March 20, for a month's tour of Baptist seminaries and mission points in South America. He went as a guest of Dr. W. Lowrey Cooper, president of the International Baptist Seminary of Buenos Aires.

Dr. Leavell will spend seven days in Buenos Aires. Then he expects to visit other Baptist seminaries in Recife and Rio, Brasil; Santiago, Chile; Quito, Ecuador, and Cali, Columbia. He will spend a day each in Venezuela and Uruguay, visiting Baptist mission work.

His main idea is to study the seminary work being done in these countries.

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850 MEMBERS ADDED DURING TAMPA CRUSADE

Dr. C. E. Matthews, secretary of evangelism for the Southern Baptist Convention led Feb. 15-March 1, the most successful evangelistic effort ever undertaken by the Baptists of Tampa Bay Association, Tampa, Fla. Record attendance was registered by most of the 42 Baptist Churches and missions participating.

During the meeting men and women came under conviction who before would not even discuss Christianity. The 850 people who came into the fellowship of the church, 567 upon profession of faith and baptism is another evidence to the Baptist of this area that God has bestowed upon Southern Baptist His plan for Christ centered, church centered evangelism. A city wide evangelistic crusade with one preacher could not possibly have been as effective as 42 preachers, 42 pastors, 42 singers all in one accord with one purpose at one time. One visiting evangelist from Canada expressed what most of us felt. Said he, "We have preachers as good as Southern Baptist, but we do not have the program. This is the most wonderful thing I have ever seen."

Then, he asked, "How could best take the simultaneous program of evangelism to Canada?"

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